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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing you today to express my opinion in regards to the Microsoft settlement that was reached in November. I favor Microsoft and support the settlement that was reached by Microsoft and the DOJ. I am anxious to see an end to the costly litigation that has gone on for three years.

Microsoft has agreed to all terms and conditions of this agreement, and will be monitored by the government to ensure compliance with the agreement. Under this agreement, Microsoft has agreed to grant computer makers broad new rights to configure Windows so as to promote non-Microsoft software programs that compete with programs that compete with programs included within Windows. Microsoft has also agreed to disclose information about various internal interfaces in Windows.

This litigation is costly and a waste of time. I urge you to support this settlement so Microsoft can be free to design and market its innovative software, which will benefit our society. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

  
Roger Perera

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